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Portage Lake News.

Houghton and Keweenaw County Sunday Schools.

Annual Convention to Be Held

On the 21st and 22nd of This Month—Lake Linden Wants the Foundry—Other News

The fifteenth annual convention of the Houghton and Keweenaw county Sunday school association will be held at Hancock Friday and Saturday, February 21 and 22. The Friday and Saturday morning sessions will be held in the Methodist church and the Saturday evening session in the Congregational church. Friday morning, besides the song and prayer service, there will be a paper read by Mrs. S. T. Morris, of Red Jacket, on "Recognition of the Sunday School Teacher by the Church," and a symposium, "The Sunday School Teacher," in the homes of the pupils; in the evening, in preparing the lesson, by W. J. James, Hancock; J. H. Edwards, Dollar Bay; and Rev. J. H. McLennan, respectively.

That evening there will be a symposium, "What do the Times Demand of and in the Superintendent?" As a man of character and life, Rev. T. J. Jolin, Quincy, as an organizer, R. H. Osborn, M. D., Calumet, as a bible student, F. G. Goggin, Lake Linden, and as an officer of the church, David P. Hill, Calumet. Rev. J. E. Reilly will also deliver an address.

Saturday morning there will be the business meeting, report of officers, etc. "System in Sunday School Work" will be the subject of a paper by Miss Ella Rogers, of Calumet. Rev. J. C. Carman will deliver an address on "The Holy Spirit in the Sunday School" and Rev. F. J. Bate will discuss "The Sunday School Teacher as an Ethical Factor in the Community."

Saturday afternoon there will be a paper by Mrs. E. C. Thompson, of Calumet, on "Our Schools, Their Needs and Work," and an address by Rev. C. S. Eastman, of Calumet, "Necessity and Advantage of Special Training for the Sunday School Teacher" and a question box in charge of C. A. Stringer, of Hancock.

All the discussions and papers will be interspersed by good music. Saturday evening will be taken up by an address by Rev. A. M. Hills, of Oberlin, Ohio, on "The Sunday School Teacher's Opportunity as a Soul Winner" and an appeal for a collection for State, county and township Sunday school organizations, by E. L. Wright, vice president of the State Sunday school association.

The South Shore will sell round trip tickets February 21 and 22, good until the 24th, and 50 cents will be charged for the round trip from Calumet and Lake Linden. Entertainment will be provided all delegates and visitors by communication as soon as possible with E. L. Wright.

Sunday afternoon a delegation of business men from Lake Linden came up to Hancock to confer with Carroll Bros., the proprietors of the West Hancock foundry, on the removal of their business to the Calumet and Hecla mill town. As Philip Carroll, the head of the firm, is away from home, there was no conference. However, the visiting gentlemen made an offer of a free site near the Calumet and Hecla mills.

For the Houghton council Joseph Crooks has the matter in charge. The Houghton council is in a position to make an offer of cash bonds. By a special act of the legislature the council is empowered to levy a special tax for such objects as are deemed advisable. This act was framed to provide for such occasions as the entertainment of legislative committees or other distinguished visitors when the object of the visit concerns the welfare of the town as a whole. The establishment of a business in the town which now employs thirty men and with increased facilities will easily increase to fifty men, is considered by the council as of sufficient importance to warrant the levying a special tax to help secure it.

With two towns bidding for this industry, it is likely that Hancock will lose it. Either of them offers a more advantageous site than the latter has.

William A. French, State land commissioner, recently gave out information that is of special interest to the people of the Upper Peninsula. He says: "By the recent land tax all land that has been bid by the State for three years because of the non-payment of taxes is now subject to homestead entry. Each homesteader can secure 540 acres of land, and all that he has to pay is 10 cents an acre each year for five years. That gives him a title to the land for 50 cents an acre, paid in easy installments. The settlement of the land by homesteaders will help the northern counties out wonderfully. You see it is a heavy tax to keep the county and city government and schools of the upper counties going, because most of the land, which was formerly covered with timber, was owned by speculators. They cut off the timber and then refuse to pay taxes on it, letting it fall into the hands of the State. That is the way the State secures possession of the land."

"The Old vs. the New Education" will be the subject of Dr. Boone's lecture at the Y. M. C. A. hall Wednesday evening. Dr. Boone's position enables him to speak with authority on such a subject and his views are certain to be instructive to the teachers that have arranged for his coming here and interesting for all who are interested in the public school system. An admission of 50 cents will be charged.

The Mining Journal representative should take the Evening News to the privacy of his room when he sits down to copy from it instead of doing the work in the public office of the Douglas House. What would the young man's employer think if he found that their paper's printing news taken from the "state and unprofitable News" thirty-six hours previously.

The republican state central committee will meet Friday, February 21, at the office of the chairman, Senator McMillan, when the dates for the various State conventions will be decided upon. Considerable other business pertaining to these conventions will be disposed of at that time.

Commissioner of Mineral Statistics George A. Newitt is up from Ishpeming gathering the last particulars for his report. The report is almost finished and it will be out Mr. Newitt thinks about the middle of the month.

For SALE—At a bargain, for cash or time, at less than the rent would be, the Butterfield House, Houghton; a good hotel with thirty rooms; good barn. Call on or address, C. D. Hanchette, Hancock.

Young men are wanted to choose their valentines and then take them to the Congregational church Friday evening, when a social will be held. A most pleasant time is promised all who attend.

A. G. Shields, of L'Anse, will commence in a few days a new addition to the dock of the L'Anse brownstone company. The work will consist of three sixty foot crabs, taking about five tons of iron.

Young ladies of Lake Linden will give a leap year party Friday evening of this week and they have invited several young ladies of Portage Lake to join them in entertaining gentlemen friends.

Henry Wagner, of Hennes' Houghton store, has gone to Duluth to visit relatives for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. C. A. Wright has issued invitations for a progressive euchre party on Wednesday evening.

At Leopold is in the copper country in the interest of the Chicago grocery firm of Steel & Wendell.

The case of Sam Lawrence vs. Charles Klein, assumpsit, has been started in the circuit court.

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Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Frazee are visiting Houghton friends for a few days.

LAKE LINDEN.

Adolph Hennes, of Calumet, visited Lake Linden friends yesterday.

Will Edwards, of Calumet, visited at his home here on Sunday.

Charles McIntyre spent Saturday and Sunday with Dr. McIlwain at the Central mine.

Mr. Angus Gillis, of Salmon Trout, visited friends and relatives in this city last Saturday and Sunday.

The Y. M. C. A. room was crowded Sunday afternoon, the features being an address by the Rev. J. H. McLennan, of South Lake Linden, a duet by Miss McKenzie and George Hoar.

The Sons of St. George held a social in the Harris block on Saturday evening last which was largely attended and a good time was had by all. Supper was served during the evening.

There will be a calico hop at the Opera House this evening. Hebert's orchestra will furnish the music and John Connors will act as prompter. A good time is promised to all who attend.

James W. Troyer, the backward skater easily defeated the two local skaters in the relay race at the Grover ice rink last Friday evening. Troyer's abilities as a fast backward skater seem to be confined to a small rink.

The Rebels with a number of friends enjoyed a pleasant snow shoe tramp to Groverton last Friday evening. At Groverton they were entertained at the residence of Mr. John Rule, where supper was served. They returned late in the morning and all reported a very enjoyable time.

The ladies having in charge the arrangements for the leap year party to be given on the 14th inst., are doing all in their power to make the social party a success and those who anticipate attending may rest assured of a good time. The committee in charge are as follows: Arrangement—Mrs. S. B. Scott, Mary T. Sullivan, Pamela Roberts, Lucile Seymour. Reception—Mrs. W. E. Gray, Mrs. D. E. Deschamps, Mary A. Larkins, Ella Leary, Lettie Guilbault.

For some little time a woman of advanced age living here has been suffering from some kind of trouble, and Dr. Orr who had charge of the case at last determined that an operation was necessary, and as is often the case on such occasions, Dr. Lawbaugh and Rodi were called in and with the assistance of Dr. Orr and some others of the faculty performed a very delicate and uncommon operation. After the incision was made it was at first thought that the trouble arose from a floating kidney, but instead of closing the opening, as was then proposed, a further examination was suggested, when it was ascertained by one of the visiting surgeons that a tumor had formed on one of the kidneys and this he at once removed and from last accounts the patient is likely to recover.

DAWN.

The earth awakes with a passionate thrill
From the icy thrall of the winter dream.
The hazy dawn on the opposite hill,
Where the shadows slant to the evening stream.

O'er the meadows and the hillsides throng,
Each lovely voice that sings and sings,
With a rapturous roll of exulting song,
And a tremulous flutter of glancing wings.

So much more than we know is meant,
So much more than we ask is given,
That our hearts are filled with a sweet content,
And our pulses stirred with the peace of heaven.

—Fanny K. Johnson in Youth's Companion.

CARRIGEEN MOSS.

The sea came leaping and plunging in great white foam along the cliffs of Carrigeen, for it was spring-time and the season of high tides. Far away, beyond the angry breakers and beyond the wavering, shifting bands of gray foam which took their place, one could see naught but a vast plateau of green ocean, dappled by an occasional sail or darkening over the sunken ledges into patches of leaden hue.

High upon the cliffs, where sea thistle and sand grass rustled in the Atlantic breeze, two persons—an aged man and tiny girl—sat hand in hand gazing steadily across the waters. Tied up in a red handkerchief at their side lay a frugal lunch of bread and butter, from which fact it was easy to tell that they were either tourists or vagrants. As a matter of fact they belonged to the former class, although your fashionable sightseer might be inclined to class them scornfully with the latter.

Old Meahall Finnerty, the sheannachie, or "wise man," of the inland parish of Ballycarrigan, had taken his grandchild Noreen for a long promised trip to the seashore. They had come by the mail boat from Ballycarrigan across the county town of Kilmore, whence the train, marvelous and wholly novel in Noreen's eyes, carried them with puff and rattle to the very borders of the ocean. And now here they were, sitting on Carrigeen cliffs above the mighty waste, peacefully chattering the one to the other, symbolical of carelessness and thoughtless youth beside the waves of eternity.

Old Meahall told his small charge a score of curious stories that afternoon—mostly stories of the coast they were, for Meahall had lived during many of his earlier years away from Ballycarrigan in the Carrigeen district. Moreover, he was, in his capacity of sheannachie, the possessor of legends galore, together with the power of relating them. Presently he leaned over the sides of the leading cliff, and plucking a bunch of dull green moss from one of the crevices held it toward the child.

"Do you know what that is, Noreen?" he asked.

Noreen shook her neatly brushed ringlets to imply the negative.

"Sure 'tis moss—Carrigeen moss—an human foot at that. Did ye never hear tell of Carrigeen moss?"

Again the ringlets were shaken.

"Well, 'tis what the poor fisherfolk ate when there's a famine. When the 'praties' give out an there's naught to buy bread with they climb up the rocks an gather Carrigeen moss. Then they boil it in a big pot, an it's so bad to eat—when ye can't get anything else."

Noreen looked at the slimy herb and wondered how it could possibly taste well under any circumstances. Others have felt similarly. Yet the poor coast people are driven in times of distress to support life on Carrigeen moss alone.

Old Meahall settled himself comfortably on a moss, filled and lit his pipe, or short black pipe, and reflectively said, "Maybe ye never was told the story of how Carrigeen moss was sent as food to the poor?"

The sheannachie, like some other notable poets, invariably began a narrative by asking a question. Finding that Noreen was ignorant of the legend mentioned, he placed the tip of his pipe in his mouth, took a long puff at the reeking tobacco and began:

"It was in the old, ancient days, before any marauders at all—let alone any Englishmen—set eyes or foot on Irish soil. Feargus the Swarthy (or Feargus Din in Gaelic) was king of all this coast from the mouth of Fear river to the bay of Bannagh. He was a fine young king, but his nature was sad, an instead of fighting his neighbors like a king ought, he liked better to stroll along these rocks of a moonlight night an play tunes on his golden harp."

"Well, one night he was singing to the harp down on the strand below when the finest lady he ever saw came up out o' the water an smiled at him. Her face was beautiful an white, jools glittered all over her, an she walked like a queen. But Feargus took particular notice of her hair. It was long an soft an wavy, but the color of it was queer entirely. For it was green—green as the sea out beyond or the moss I have in my fist. But, sure, King Feargus liked her all the better for the queer color of her hair, bein himself a queer young man. He played away music to her, an she told him how she was a king's daughter strayed up on the palaces under the water. To make a long story short, King Feargus an the mermaid were married, an the fine old family of McNamara, which means children of the mermaid, descended from them. Very happily they lived too, the only trouble bein that while Feargus grew old an gray haired the sea princess, bein a fairy, staid young forever. At last poor King Feargus died an left his beautiful queen a widow. When she saw one of her strapping big sons safely on the throne, she called all the people together an told them that she must return to her father in the palaces under the sea. Then there rose such a wailin an lamentin among the people as would melt the heart of a stone.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Lesson For the Week Beginning Feb. 15.
Comment by Rev. W. J. Yates, A. M.
Topic, Christ's Way of Winning Souls by His Teaching.

SCRIPTURE READING.—Math. v. 1-2; xiii. 1-5; Mark x. 13-16.

The unalterable basis of right living and right doing lies in right thinking. It is not enough for one to be sincere. Many a sinner has been drowned by sincerely thinking the ice was strong enough to hold him, when in fact it was not. One is never safe except when he is right. Spiritual life is as subject to law as the material world and is bound in eternal truth. To be saved from the love and power of sin men must know the truth and the right. Christ came to teach the right conception of God and man and their true relations. He found the world full of wrong ideas and evil deeds. He lived right and righteously and showed men how they could do the same. He taught not only by example, but also by word and familiar illustrations taken from everyday affairs. Whoever earnestly wishes to be free from sin and seeks pardon from God and peace through Jesus Christ finds in the gospel teachings truth, which commands itself to his understanding, wins his affection and moves him to right activity and frees him from the power, the guilt and the love of all evil and enshrines in his nature the worship and service of the pure and good and beautiful.

The Triple Commission.

The command which the ascending Lord gave to the representatives of the church was, "Go ye into all the world and preach, baptize, teach." The terms are clear and unmistakable. The message is to be given to every creature. No nation is outside the scope of the evangelizing influences of the gospel. The good tidings of God as Father and Jesus Christ as Saviour are needed by every soul, and the message is sent to every one. Race conditions, social, business, civil positions make no difference. All are to be called. The Spirit says, Come. The bride, which is the church, is to say to every one, Come!

Whoever heeds the summons and accepts the terms is to be enrolled in the earthly ranks of the church by baptism. It is not enough to believe in Christ and trust Him for future salvation. Duty is to be performed on earth. Believers are to be organized.

The church as organized and officered has a duty to perform to her own members old and young. They are to be taught all things which belong to salvation and true spiritual living. The work is progressive and ever unfolding in meaning.

The promise, "Lo! I am with you always, even unto the end of this world age," is given to the church as such, and to her only as she faithfully performs the allotted work.

A Single Year.

In the Bradley street mission room, New London, Conn., hangs a large portrait of a young girl rescued from a life of shame in New York by the influence of Mrs. Whittemore of the Door of Hope. Two faces are shown. One represents "Della, the Bluebird of Mulberry Bend," as she was known in her wild life, when she had been a Christian three months. The other is her picture a year later. What a contrast! Is it possible that even divine grace can so alter a human countenance? The difference is remarkable. A wild, haggard, sin scarred face has given place to one full of sweetness, purity and peace. Each is the index of what the heart held of inner life. God's angels of grace are still busy saving bodies as well as souls of men. Sure the gospel has promise of the life which now is as well as of that which is to come. There is no beauty in this world to be compared to the loveliness of a pure Christian face, whether it be borne by young or aged.

Transfiguration.

Mystery there is, but nothing incredible about it. Every faithful follower of Christ is gradually transformed and changed in figure as well as in affection. The physical features undergo a change after one begins to live for God and in daily communion with Him. We are changed from glory into a higher glory as we discover new truth and possess new purposes. Others see this transfiguration even if we do not realize it fully. In the late war in Korea an American missionary, Miss Talcott, by her gentle manner and pleasant face so impressed the Chinese prisoners, to whom she carried delicacies in the various hospitals, that many, before intensely prejudiced against Christianity, have become inquirers. Her face was what impressed them most. The light of God's peace shone there. It was a revelation to them of grace before unknown.

To Each His Work.

Most people can do some one kind of work more efficiently than they can others. Special fitness of nature or skill from training rules here in religious work as in business occupations. Ability to do some things belongs to every live Christian. Prayer, testimony, benevolence are exercises in which every follower of Christ should participate. Bible study by oneself for spiritual direction is essential for each. But beyond this some have peculiar fitness for managing the temporal and business affairs of the church. Some are naturally endowed as teachers, others as persuaders to holy living. Some can care for the sick; others are preachers, gifted with powers of eloquence to convince and convert. Let each one study his own powers and show himself an efficient workman of God.

It is well to work with a cheerful heart. Wherever our fortunes call, With a friendly glance and an open hand And a gentle word for all.

Since life is a thorny and difficult path, These tell us the portion of man, He will should endeavor while passing along To make it as smooth as we can.

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